

COUNCIL BRIEFS

July 14, 2017

Kudos to Westmoor Park! Westmoor Park has been chosen as a destination for the Hartford-area bus tour conducted by the American Community Garden Association during its 38th annual conference, July 27-30 in Hartford. This distinction comes as a result of Westmoor Park's commitment to community gardening and in particular, its Plant-A-Row program, which provides approximately 2,000 pounds of produce each year for those in need. The conference will include fifty-five workshops on all aspects of community gardening, eight tours of impressive gardening locations in Connecticut and Massachusetts, a film night and a Saturday evening gala. For ACGA conference information and registration, please call 877-ASK-ACGA or [visit the web site](#).

Beware of Phone Scammers posing as IRS Agents: Connecticut officials warn residents to stay on alert for telephone callers who pose as an Internal Revenue Service agents and attempt to get an immediate tax payment.

The scammers tell potential victims that they owe the IRS money and they face arrest from the FBI or from local police if they do not pay. The IRS advises to do the following if you get a phone call from someone claiming to be from the IRS:

- If you are not sure if you owe taxes, call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040 to check.
- If you know you don't owe taxes, report the incident by filling out the "[IRS Impersonation Scam](#)" form or by calling 1-800-366-4484.
- If you've been targeted by this scam, you can also file a consumer complaint with the Federal Trade Commission at www.ftc.gov, and add "IRS Telephone Scam" to the comments of your complaint.

Free LED lightbulbs: The West Hartford Clean Energy Commission hopes to brighten your day with a free LED lightbulb - no swap required. Stop by the Town Hall lobby on Monday, July 31, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM, and start saving energy. (West Hartford residents only, please.)

In addition, members of the Clean Energy Commission will provide information on home and business energy assessments, which can improve the overall energy efficiency while saving you money.

Food Pantry Volunteer needed: The food Pantry is in need of someone to help throughout the summer on Monday mornings from 9AM to 11AM. The job consists of sorting, date checking and shelving food. One must be 18 years or older and lift 30 pounds. If interested, contact [Barbara Roberts](#), Volunteer Coordinator.

Ridgewood Road project begins July 24: Ridgewood Road will be repaved this summer, from Tunxis Road to West Point Terrace, which is a continuation of last year's project from West Point Terrace to I-84 Ramps.

The road improvement project includes replacing catch basins as needed, removing curbing and driveway aprons, reclaim (reprocess) the asphalt and road base material, reshape the roadway, pave the roadway, and replace the curbing and driveway aprons. Crews are tentatively scheduled to start reclaiming Ridgewood Road the week of July 24th; the work will take approximately 2 to 3 weeks to complete. A detour around the area will be in place during the construction period.

Cast your vote for Best of West Hartford: The contest for the Best of West Hartford is on! Show your loyalty and support of your favorite local businesses and services by [casting your confidential votes now](#). Winners will be announced at the "Champagne On Ice Celebration" on Monday, Aug. 28, 2017.

Peter Privitera, Acting Town Manager